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INFORMATION FROM FRITZ (1942)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 917

15 May 42

To [Name No. 42]. [i]

1. From FRITZ: [ii]

(a) From a sailor who arrived from

[60 groups unrecovered]

ÅBO or HANKO. Several vessels went straight through to HANKO

[60 groups unrecovered]

patrol duty on GOTLAND. At the beginning of May 87 regular seamen deserted; they were from an armoured ship's crew(a). The cause is not known. On 9th May two German vessels passed east of GOTLAND en route for FINLAND; there were German soldiers on the deck of one of them.

[D.S. c)] [14 groups unrecovered]

two trains fully laden with various artillery weapons passed [D.S. through] HAPARANDA. This included heavy artillery of more than 15 millimetres(b). The local inhabitants say that the Germans have been accelerating the despatch of various kinds of war material through HAPARANDA for the past fortnight.

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[Name No. 64] [iii]

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Notes: [a] Or: "from armoured ships' crews". The figure 87 could be a
typographical error for 7 or 8.

[b] Possibly misencoded for: "This included more than 15 pieces
of heavy artillery".

Comments: [i] Name No. 42 : In 1943 this is thought to refer to
Capt. (1st Rank) M. A. VORONTSOV, but may
not do so at this date.

[ii] FRITZ : Unidentified cover-name. First occurrence.

[iii] Name No. 64 : Unidentified STOCKHOLM Signatory.

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